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NEWS RELEASE

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 196,542 for the month of July, 2004. This represents a decrease of 3.4% as compared to July, 2003.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

Vehicle Classification	One-Way Crossings	Change from July, 2003	Percent of Total Crossings
Full-Fare Passenger Cars:	113,981	-2.9%	58.0%
Commuter Fare:	59,530	-6.6%	30.3%
Car Pulling Trailers	11,174	-1.6%	5.7%
Commercial Trucks:	11,857	8.1%	6.0%
Totals:	196,542		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2004 has totaled 1,056,091 vehicles; this represents an decrease of 1.1% as compared to 2003. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 76,190,000 vehicles have crossed the structure.

Sincerely,

International Bridge Administration

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